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I am a small business owner in Tampa, FL. I urge you to quit wasting the taxpayers money by dragging out the Microsoft case any further! The attorneys seem to once again be the profiteers here. I also strongly disagree with AOL's suit against Microsoft. It is simply unjustified. Anyone who has been using computers for any length of time knows that AOL has bullied itself in the area of dominating Instant Messaging.

They are just being overly mean and aggressive as usual. They, as a company, have not helped consumers but have hindered them. Microsoft, on the other hand, has contributed much to our society and world in the form of dozens and dozens of innovative products which have helped consumers the world over.

Do not destroy this great American company which is an example of innovation and the American spirit. Please stay out of our lives and leave Microsoft alone. Let us decide which products we like and do not like. Netscape was lousy compared to IE. Simple as that. Netscape lost the competition and are sore losers. Thank God Microsoft improved the browsing experience and gave it to us for free. How can this be bad? Only the government can find evil in something that is free and easy to use. If you destroy Microsoft (which appears to be your goal) you will be destroying part of the heart of this great country. And it will cost us consumers billions in the future.

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